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Mitigation Investigator

The Office of the Federal Defender for the Eastern District of Missouri has an opening for a **Mitigation Investigator**. The office operates under authority of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, to provide services of the highest quality to indigent persons in federal criminal cases. The main office is located in Saint Louis, Missouri with a branch office in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. This is a full-time investigator position with a focus on mitigation in the Saint Louis office and some work assisting attorneys in Cape Girardeau satellite office. Applicant must have a Master's Degree in Social Work or related field. At least two years of experience in the investigation and development of mitigation evidence *or* employment in the social work field is preferred as is a working knowledge of the criminal justice system. Excellent investigative, interviewing and writing skills required. Experience in videography and/or fluency in Spanish is preferred.

The Mitigation Investigator will gather and summarize records and conduct interviews to create client social histories. They will use this information to develop mitigation themes and work with attorneys to present this information on the client's behalf. The position involves finding and consulting with experts, managing relationships with clients and their families, as well as maintaining contacts with local social service providers to connect clients with needed services and inform client advocacy.

This is a full-time position with federal salary and benefits based on qualifications and experience. This position is subject to mandatory electronic transfer (direct deposit) participation for payment of net pay. Current and future positions may be filled from this vacancy announcement. This position is subject to funding.

To apply, a cover letter describing your experience, resume, three references and recent writing sample must be received no later than **Monday, October 4, 2015**, either by mail to:

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or by electronic mail with subject line **Mitigation Investigator** to : (Lee_Lawless@fd.org)

NO PHONE CALLS ACCEPTED Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

The Office of the Federal Defender is an Equal Opportunity Employer Women & Minorities are strongly encouraged to apply.

This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.